

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:
 ~~office equipment~~ imaging device that includes a display, the display being used by the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device to provide status as to operation of the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device; and
 a computing system, in communication with the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device, the computing system for obtaining news information unrelated to operation of the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device, and for causing the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device to display the news information in place of a status message.
2. (Currently Amended) The system as in claim 1 wherein the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device is at least one of the following:
 a printer;
 a scanner; and
 a fax machine;
 ~~—— a telephone; and,~~
 ~~—— a telephone answering machine.~~
3. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 1 wherein the computing system obtains information from a site on a network.
4. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 1 wherein the computing system obtains information from an internet site.
5. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 1 wherein the computing system obtains information from another computing system which requests display of the information.
6. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
 (a) obtaining, by a computing system, information unrelated to operation of ~~office equipment~~ an imaging device;

(b) generating, by the computing system, instructions to the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device to display the information;

(c) sending the instructions from the computing system to the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device; and,

(d) displaying the information by the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device on a display used by the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device to provide status as to operation of the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device, the information being displayed in place of a status message.

7. (Currently Amended) The method as in claim 6 wherein step (a) the ~~office equipment~~ imaging device is at least one of the following:

a printer;

a scanner; and

a fax machine;

——— a telephone; and,

——— a telephone answering machine.

8. (Previously Presented) The method as in claim 6 wherein in step (a) the computing system obtains information form a site on a network.

9. (Previously Presented) The method as in claim 6 wherein in step (a) the computing system obtains information from an internet site.

10. (Previously Presented) The method as in claim 6 wherein in step (a) the computing system obtains information from another computing system which requests display of the information.

Claims 11-15 (Canceled).

16. (Previously Presented) An imaging device comprising:
a display configured to display status information related to operations of the imaging device; and

the imaging device being configured to receive instructions from a computing device that cause the imaging device to display information unrelated to the operations of the imaging device.

17. (Previously Presented) The imaging device of claim 16 where the imaging device includes one of: a printer, a scanner, and a fax machine.